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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

ARGOUD-PUY ET AL.

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MS: Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

The asterisked references were cited in the International Search Report and since copies of said references were forwarded by the International Bureau, only copies of the non-asterisked references are enclosed.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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